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AMY bright rose flowers of good substance; late; \$6.00 to \$12.00

ARMISTICE DAY \* blood red; later and brighter than EARL OF ATHLONE. A few plants ranging in price from \$3.00 to \$15.00

AZALEODENDRON soft apricot, lovely in contrast with PURPLE SPLENDOUR; \$12.00

AZOR \*\*\* very late; soft salmon; does best in shade; few at \$12.00

BEAUTY OF LITTLEWORTH \*\*\* white spotted faintly with purple; early; large plants; an excellent value at \$12.50; larger ones up to \$25.00

BETTY WORMALD \*\*\* late flowering; pink with conspicuous but small purple blotch; 2 to 4 feet high; \$12.00

BLUE DIAMOND \*\*\*\* clear lavendar blue; small leaved; small flowered; good in foreground; mid-season; 18 to 21 inches in height - \$6.50 to \$10.00

BOWBELIS \*\* short open bells of soft pink; rounded glossy leaves; early; low growing and compact; various sizes from \$7.00 to \$12.00

BUTTERFLY \*\*\* particularly heavy flowering; pale lemon with chocolate blotch; mid-season; large well developed plants 4 feet in height - \$12.00

CORNUBIA \*\*\* blood red flowers; limited number of well branched plants to 3 feet in height - \$15.00

CORONA \*\*\* short rather open bells of coral pink; mid-season; excellent plants to 4 feet in height; \$10.00 to \$12.00

DAWN'S DELIGHT \*\*\* stiffly erect buds of brick red opening to soft pink, fading to white at center; edge of flower slightly frilled; large trusses, mid-season; beautiful plants at \$8.50 to \$20.00

EARL OF ATHLONE \*\*\*\* blood red; tight heavy trusses; bush upright in habit; very early; extremely popular - \$15.00

FABIA \*\*\* Funnelform flowers of orange-salmon; best results in shade; mid-season; - a few at \$12.00

GILL'S CRIMSON \*\*\*\* crimson; very early; wants shelter and warmth; lovely foliage, beautiful plants to 4 feet in height - \$3.00 to \$13.50

GINA dark red; 2 plants only; \$7.95 and \$10.95

LADY BESSBOROUGH \*\*\*\* delicate flowers of plnk blending to yellow; better in shade; short leaves of light green; compact plants to 2-feet - \$10.50

- LADY STUART OF WORTLEY \* strong growing plants flowering mid-season to late; pink with slight marking; plants in various sizes from \$5.00 to \$15.00
- LODERI \*\*\* pink buds opening pale pink fading to white; large flowers in heavy loose trusses; grey green foliage; early; \$11.50 to \$15.00
- LODER'S WHITE \*\*\* similar in habit to preceding variety; buds mauve opening paler and fading white; early; large plants to 42 feet - \$13.50
- MME.FR.J. CHAUVIN \*\*\* mid-season; gracefully branched; flower tube slender at base, rosy pink with elongated blotch \$7.00 to \$15.00
- MARS \*\*\* late flowering; very deep red; similar in habit to EARL OF ATHLONE trusses very large and compact; priced from \$4.95 to \$10.50
- MAY DAY \*\*\* spreading habit; brown wool under side of sharply pointed leaves, early; shade loving, funnel-form flowers of scarlet \$7.50 to \$20.00
- MOTHER OF PEARL \*\* large pink buds opening blush pink and fading to pearl white; heavy trusses; late; plants to 4-ft. in height \$7.00 to \$13.50
- MRS. E.C. STIRLING \*\* blush pink flowers in compact trusses; mid-season; plants 4 to 5 feet in height and beautifully developed \$20.00
- MRS. W.C. SLOCOCK \*\*\* low, compact; similar in habit to UNIQUE but later;
  apricot pink buds, opening same but fading to creamy yellow \$10.00-\$12.50
- PENJERRICK \*\*\* mid-season; flowers variable white, creamy yellow, or pink; a few plants ranging from \$6.00 to \$20.00
- PINK PEARL \*\* large trusses of rose pink flowers; mid-season; bush loose in habit; price range from \$6.95 to \$13.50
- PURPLE SPLENDOUR \*\*\* rich deep purple with black splotch; mid-season; well branched plants to 4 feet in height; \$13.50. Some smaller plants.
- QUEEN OF THE MAY \*\*\* white; likes sheltered spot; three plants; \$12.00 each
- ROYAL FLUSH upright growing variety with medium size narrow leaves; place in protected area; crange flowers; mid-season; 3 to 4 ft. \$6.00 to \$10.00
- TALLY-HO \*\*\*\* bright scarlet or "hunting coat pink"; a great favorite a very few plants ranging from \$10.00 to \$20.00
- UNIQUE \*\*\* low and compact; exceptionally beautiful foliage; buds flesh colored opening buff; best in shade; 2-ft. in height \$7.00 to \$11.00
- UNKNOWN WARRIOR \* one of the earliest and best liked reds; open habit of growth; large plants \$15.00
- NOTE: \* indicates star rating by Royal Horticultural Society of England.
- ALL PLANTS ON THEIR OWN ROOTS BEAUTIFULLY GROWN UP TO 12 YEARS OLD -

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Nursery Hours: - Weekdays 8:00 to 4:30 all year round; Sundays (spring only) 10:00 to 4:30.

Terms: - Cash with order unless credit has been established. No mail orders under \$2.00. All prices f.o.b. Nursery. Washington residents - please include 3% state sales tax.

This year it has seemed impractical to publish a catalog as we have done in the past. A thousand kinds of plants are not easy to condense into a few short pages of description.

Constant shifting of prices due to changes in stock has made it impossible to stabilize a list. If you will keep this in mind when ordering, it will be appreciated. When possible, please state acceptable substitutes. May we urge all of our good friends and customers to write for quotations on plants or rooted cuttings of those items which are not listed - but which we likely grow. We will do our best to answer promptly. However, it is impossible to give lengthy advice and planting instructions individually.

# WATER PLANTS -

(Each)

Lilies - red, white, yellow, or pink - \$	1.25
Hyacinth - floating plant for summer only -	.25
Fish greens - whichever types are in season - per bunch	.25
Iris - either yellow or blue-flowered -	.50
Forget-me-not, especially suited to moist soil or water -	.25
Sagittaria sinensis - extends above water with broad leaf -	.25
Sagittaria natans - short, grassy foliage - 6 for -	.25

DICHONDRA REPENS - Common name "Ponyfoot" which each leaf resembles.

A ground cover of great popularity for lawn substitute. The creeping stems root to form a dense mat. It thrives in sunshine and yet adapts itself to shade. May be sown in an old lawn or in newly prepared ground. In the latter case, attention to watering, fertilizing and weeding is essential for the first three months. Only a minimum of attention is required thereafter. Hardiness in the northern states is uncertain. A packet of 12,000 seeds sells for \$1.25 postpaid, and will suffice for 300 square feet. Germination time is about six days. Plants are usually available at 50-cents each or \$5.00 per dozen - but we do not recommend shipping them any distance.

GROUND COVERS - one of our specialties - individual plants are 25-Cents each; \$2.50 per dozen. Local trade can pick up a flat (12" x 24") at the dozen price.

- \*Ajuga genevensis and Ajuga reptans rubra fast growing Bugleflower; strongly matted roots help prevent erosion.
- \*Cotula squalida bronzed ferny leaves; shade loving.
- Dianthus graniticus, D. coccineus, D. deltoides (Maiden Pink) rock garden subjects often planted in large masses for best effect.
- Lotus corniculatus a legume for dry banks with poor soil.
- Mentha requieni a creeping mint with a tantalizing fragrance.
- Nierembergia rivularis earns the common name of Queencups by reason of the large white flowers which cover the gray mats in summer.
- \*Sagina subulata looks like moss but has tiny white star flowers; suitable for crevices or the spaces between stepping stones.
- \*Sedum acre, S. album, S. murale, S. reflexum all these varieties of Sedum are excellent for covering large areas.
- \*Thymus serpyllum several types are grown but the supply varies with the season. Lavendar, red, or white flowered as well as woolly leaved varieties are usually in stock.
- \*Vinca minor "Periwinkle" or "Creeping Myrtle" white, blue, (with green or variegated leaves), wine purple and double flowered blue varieties.

## GROUND COVERS of slower habit - priced as indicated.

- \*Arctostaphylos uva-ursi "Bearberry" excellent broadleaved cover; second year plants are still quite small but suitable for setting out on one foot or 18-inch spacing 50-cents each.
- Epimedium macranthum roseum, E. lilacina, E. niveum, E. pinnatum sulphureum dainty flowers in early spring followed by interesting leaves which color in the fall 75-cents each.
- \*Euonymous radicans minima tiny thick leaves along trailing stems 75-Cents Polygonum vaccinaefolium spikes of pink flowers in autumn 50-cents.
- \*Vaccineum vitis-idae beautiful shiny foliage, edible berries 50 cents & \$1.00.

### NOTE: \*Indicates persistent winter foliage.

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HEATHER SPECIE IRIS PRIMULA HERBS SEMPERVIVUM

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Excellent Plants - Well Bushed - Most of Them in 32-inch Plant Bands

CALLUNA VULGARIS - Scotch Heather embracing many variations

Double Pink - County Wicklow and Mrs. H. E. Beale

Golden Foliage - Aurea and Cuprea

Very compact and low - Foxii floribunda, Foxii nana, Minima Smith's var.,
Nana compacta, Tom Thumb

Pink tips on new growth, low growing - Mrs. Pat
Upright habit - Mair's White
Very late fall; flowers purple tinged red - David Eason
Distinctive flat habit; deep purple flowers - Mrs. Ronald Gray

DABOECIA AZORICA PRAEGERAE - deep pink buds opening blush pink

DABOECIA CANTABRICA - Irish Bell Heather - two color forms, rose-purple & white

ERICA - Carnea - Winter Heaths bloom from December through March in the Northwest in the order listed.

King George (rosy crimson), Carnea (rosy pink),
Springwood White, Snow Queen and Ruby Glow

Mediterranea Spring Beauty - Moderately tall growing

Cinerea - Twisted Heath - summer flowering; purple. Also, C.D. Eason (red), Alba (white), Atrosanguinea (brilliant scarlet)

Ciliaris Wych - soft pink flowers in late summer

Tetralix - Cross-leaved Heath 
Mollis - silvery foliage; white flowers

Praegerae - flowers of bright pink over a long season

Vagans - fall flowering; long cylindrical racemes of flowers on sturdy plants of spreading habit.

Lyonesse - white

Mrs. D. F. Maxwell - cherry pink

St. Keverne - bright pink

## - HEATHERS at other prices -

DABOECIA AZORICA - in gal.cans - \$1.50; Crimson bells; plant in protected area.

ERICA CARNEA & SPRINGWOOD PINK - Jan. & Feb. flowering respectively - 50¢ each.

ERICA STRICTA - useful for low informal hedges & shrub borders - \$1.00 & \$3.50

Still other varieties available in quite small sizes for the person who is willing to give extra care to lining out stock. Supply varies from time to time. Please list substitutes when ordering by mail.

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Heather occupies a unique place in the plant world. It is allied to the broadleaf evergreens. It associates amicaely with conifer evergreens. Some varieties flower in early summer, still more in the fall, a goodly number of distinctive ones in winter, and some extremely dependable ones reach the height of their glory in spring.

Heathers vary in height from flatly spreading ones like <u>Calluna vulgar</u>is <u>Mrs. Ronald Gray to tall reaching species like Erica arborea alpina.</u>

Few groups of plants require less attention. Best results follow when the soil for heathers is prepared ahead of time with well soaked peat moss mixed with sandy loam to which has been added sufficient well rotted compost, or compost and manure, to make the plants flourish. The peat moss serves to store moisture without which heather succumbs to late summer dryness. A good mixture is 2-parts peat moss; 1-part very sandy loam; 1-part well rotted compost.

Plants should be spaced far enough apart in natural groupings that they will not overlap each other when normal third to fifth year growth has been achieved. Neighboring plants, particularly those of lush growth, should

be planted at a distance equal to their mature spread,

Fruning of established plants should ordinarily be limited to the removal of spent blossoms by light shearing in an irregular manner. Plants which have been neglected require more drastic pruning. They may then take a year or so to cover the bare looking framework which remains.

Very young plants, as well as old ones which have exhausted the soil where they have been growing, need to be fertilized. Liquid fertilizer may be applied in late spring for foliage feeding as well as for root feeding. Use according to recommendations of the manufacture. A peat moss mulch in early spring will do triple duty if it contains a light dosage of a balanced fertilizer and a dust to control Strawberry Root Weevil.

Masses of heather make a showier display than do individual plants even in infinite combination. A few varieties can be so selected that more than one season is represented. Each group should be in scale with the total area to be planted. Contrast of foliage color and texture will add to the interest created by flower color and form.

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